

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims below by deleting items with a strikeout (i.e. ~~patent~~) or brackets / double brackets(i.e., [patent] or [[patent]]); and adding items with an underline (i.e. patent).

1. Canceled.

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5. Canceled.

6. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A rainwater collection apparatus [[of Claim 4,]]

comprising:

a reservoir storing rainwater;

an intake removably attachable to a superior end of said reservoir, said

intake having a screen for segregating debris from said reservoir;

a first outlet for egress of stored rainwater, and

a second outlet for egress of collected rainwater wherein said second outlet is operatively coupled with a pump for exporting water, wherein said pump is placed into a separate storage compartment and operatively coupled with a third outlet, said third outlet opened and closed by an externally projected lever therefrom.

7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim [[1]] 6, wherein said intake is threadably

attached to said superior end.

8. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A rainwater collection apparatus [of Claim 7,] comprising:
a reservoir storing rainwater;
an intake removably attachable to a superior end of said reservoir, said
intake having a screen for segregating debris from said reservoir, and wherein said intake is
threadably attached to said superior end, wherein said intake comprises:
 - an interior dam;
 - an inlet adjacent to said interior dam, said inlet having a screen for inhibiting ingress of debris; and
 - an overflow ridge bisecting said interior dam and said inlet, said interior dam inclined toward said ridge so as to urge rainwater thereto; and
 - a first outlet for egress of stored rainwater.
9. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 8, wherein said inlet is bound by inclined walls to urge rainwater through said screen.
10. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim [[1]] 8, wherein said first outlet is positioned at a profile superior to a second outlet.
11. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim [[1]] 8, wherein said first outlet comprises

a ball-valve assembly opened and closed by a lever.

12. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim ~~[[12]]~~ 11, wherein said ball-valve assembly includes a male coupler threadably receiving attachment to a garden hose.
13. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 8 further comprising at least one overflow port adjacent said superior end of said reservoir, said at least one overflow port allowing overflow rainwater to egress in a controlled manner.
14. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 6, wherein said reservoir comprises an upper section superior to a lower section, said upper section secured to said lower section.
15. (New) The apparatus of Claim 6 further comprising a drainage port adjacent an inferior end of said reservoir, said drainage port having a corresponding drainage port plug.
16. (New) The apparatus of Claim 6, wherein said pump is submersible